State of New Jersey

Department of the Treasury

E. Steven Emanuel, Experienced Public Sector Information Technology Executive, Named New Jersey's Chief Information Officer

TRENTON – E. Steven Emanuel, a highly experienced public sector information technology manager, has been named Chief Information Officer (CIO) for the State of New Jersey. As CIO, Emanuel will coordinate New Jersey's statewide information technology strategies and policies. He will also oversee the State's Office of Information Technology (OIT) and assume all the responsibilities of New Jersey's Chief Technology Officer.

Emanuel previously served as the CIO for Montgomery County, Maryland, and Amtrak, and will bring more than 25 years of management and front line operating experience in information technology to his new role.

OIT is part of the Department of the Treasury and provides cross-platform support for all the Executive Branch agencies and departments in State government. OIT has a staff of 720 people and an annual budget of nearly $100 million.

"Our senior management team in State government will benefit greatly from having an executive of Steve Emanuel's skills and experience on board," said State Treasurer Andrew Sidamon-Eristoff. "He has a strong record of managing overhauls of complex information systems successfully and delivering capital projects on time and within budget.

"Steve also understands the unique demands of managing in a public sector environment and the importance of meeting objective measures such as those that have been adopted by all of New Jersey's Executive Branch agencies and departments as part of Governor Chris Christie's performance budgeting and transparency in government initiatives."

Emanuel served as CIO for Montgomery County from 2007 until this month, supervising a county staff of 150 people and an annual operating and capital budget of over $100 million. In Montgomery, he was responsible for the development of the first Enterprise Technology Strategic Plan, technical delivery of the county's MC311 call center systems for non-emergency calls and the infrastructure implementation for the county's enterprise financial and human resource system in 2010.

From 2004 until 2007, Emanuel served as Amtrak's Corporate CIO, overseeing an annual operating and capital budget of more than $220 million for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation. He joined Amtrak in 1998 and served as Director of Network Operations before being named CIO for the Northeast Corridor in 2000. In 2004, he was promoted to CIO for the entire railroad.

Earlier in his career, Emanuel held a series of information technology positions with GPU Service Company, the then-operational support organization for Jersey Central Power & Light, Metropolitan Edison, Penelec and GPU Nuclear Corporation. His assignments included serving as the Information Technology Site Support Manager for GPU's Oyster Creek nuclear power plant in Forked River.

He earned a B.S. degree in Sociology and Criminology from Eastern University in St. David's, Pennsylvania in 1976.